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Ladies and Gentlemen:

You recently received a draft environmental assessment (EA) of a proposal by Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) to relocate **Canada geese** from ponds immediately north of Bozeman, MT to the **Canyon Ferry Waterfowl Management Area** near Townsend, MT. These geese were causing damage to vegetation, and creating health concerns from their "droppings" in public areas. No comments were received on this proposal during the public review period from June 19 – July 3, 2001.

It is my decision to approve these relocation efforts as described in the EA. I find there to be no significant impacts associated with this action and conclude that an Environmental Impact Statement is not needed. The completed EA is an appropriate level of analysis.

Thank you very much for your interest and involvement.

Sincerely,

Patrick J. Flowers  
Regional Supervisor

*Broadwater and Gallatin*